

In the Drawings

The drawings have been corrected to overcome the Examiner's rejections. Attached are replacement sheets for the following drawings: FIG. 1A, FIG. 1B, FIG. 1C, FIG. 2A, FIG. 2B, FIG 2C, FIG. 3A, FIG. 3B.

Remarks

The Examiner has rejected independent claims 1 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Yost and Marchbanks. Applicant respectfully submits that the Yost rejection under 102(b) is an improper rejection because Yost was first published on October 9, 2003, well after Applicant's earliest effective filing date of July 8, 2002.


In any event, claims 1 and 7 have been amended to further clarify the invention and distinguish the invention from Yost and Marchbanks. Claims 1 and 7 have been amended to further clarify the invention in that the invention uses a pressure generator to move a biological object that is exposed to ICP to back to its initial position it had when ICP was equal to zero. While Yost and Marchbanks may disclose pressure generators, neither discloses using a pressure generator to move a biological object from a second position where this biological object is positioned when it subject to positive intracranial pressure to a first position where the biological object is positioned when the biological object is subject to zero intracranial pressure.

Claims 19-24 were also rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinguish the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention and for omitting essential steps. The Examiner has also indicated Claims 19-24 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph. Accordingly, Applicant has amended Claim 19 to further clarify the invention and include any missing steps.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-24, all of the claims remaining in the application, are in order for allowance and early notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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